REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing, and early and favorable consideration of the subject application are respectfully requested.

By the present Amendment, original claims 1-42 have been deleted in favor of new claims 43-73. These claims are essentially those found to be allowable in the parent of the present application, Serial No. 08/739,243. They derive support from throughout the specification and claims as originally filed.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this Amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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